

FIRE MOUNTAIN CANAL & RESERVOIR CO.

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The monthly meeting of the board of directors of the Fire Mountain Canal and Reservoir Company was called to order by President Luke at 7:30 pm. Directors present were Bill Houseweart, Dave Stiller, John Stroh and Wes Spore. Also present were Trey Denison, Scott Howell and Robert Madden.

Wes S. motions that the July 09, 2009 meeting minutes be approved as read. Bill H. seconds and the motion carries.

John Stroh motions that the minutes from the special budget meeting of July 30, 2009 be approved as read; Dave S. seconds and the motion carries.

Wes S. motions that the treasurer's report be accepted, John S. seconds and the motion carries.

Dave S. motions that the bills be paid, Wes S. seconds and the motion carries.

The transfers of water shares presented with the meeting packet were approved as motioned by Dave S. and seconded by Bill H.

Superintendent Report:

The ditch is currently running at 172 cfs; Trey reported the reservoir was down to 11,000 acre feet, currently pulling 190 cfs with 33 cfs coming in. Irrigation water will be shut off sometime between September 15 and September 20th.

Wes and Trey looked at leaks in Bowie area.

Scott and Trey are spot spraying weeds targeting milkweed and toadflax with a combination of tordon and 2-4-D.

Trey reported that the Bear Creek auto gate went down and electrician, Keith Littlejohn found a blown fuse on the torque limiting switch on the motor. Scott talked to the Stechert's and they will install an automatic gate before next irrigating season.

Scott and Trey reported on work at the reservoir and said that the dam needs to be sprayed and the area defoliated.

Old Business:

Budget: Dixie expressed concern about the budget and stated that belt tightening is needed in the future. John S. concurred that the Company needs to be financially conservative and reduce costs where possible.

July 09, 2009 board meeting: Bill H. expressed concern about the "Good Old Boy" comment made by Carl Roberts. Dixie replied that if the "Good Old Boy network" had run the ditch for 100 years, then the good old boys have done a good job. A general discussion followed regarding how Chesnik Construction has always done a good job for the Company at a reasonable price.

Bureau meeting on July 29, 09: O & M building improvements were discussed. Trey would like a telephone at the building. The old building had power and a telephone until it was co-opted by the Colorado State Parks so it was questioned as to whether the park service should pay for power and telephone.

Several representatives from the Colorado River Water Conservation Board, Trey, Scott, Dixie and Wes made a trip to Lost Lake. The trip was to view the site and a representative from CWCB said the next step is an EIS (Environmental Impact Study).

Dave S. gave a general recap of his initial conversation with Marcel Orton of Harwell Irrigation.

Fire Mountain Canal has to ask the Bureau of Reclamation for a study reference focusing on the cost of breaks, show pictures of breaks, pictures of salt, pictures of fields of salt. The study could be up to a three year process.

Randy Fisher will write a letter to the Belzona contractor and inquire about their fall schedule to come out and redo the work at the dam.

Randy Fisher will write a financial review plan that can be discussed at the September meeting.

Randy Fisher's office will prepare a work-on copy of the by-laws and suggested changes.

General discussion regarding Danny Cotton's Fruitgrower Reservoir historical presentation.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Randall W. Fisher
Secretary-Treasurer

